

Morrow Red Cross Drive Opens March 1

Friday, March 1 will mark the opening of the annual Red Cross fund drive in Morrow county and a goal of \$2,825 has been set for this year it was announced today by Frank Turner, Heppner drive chairman. The campaign will last through March.

100th Birthday Celebrated by Ex-Heppner Woman

(From The Oregonian)
A tiny woman who remembers the "terrible" assassination of Abraham Lincoln observed her 100th birthday Tuesday in the Masonic and Eastern Star home at Forest Grove.

She is Mrs. Rebecca Ellen Patterson, widow of a pioneer Heppner druggist.

There was no party because Mrs. Patterson has become too deaf to enjoy social gatherings, but she had a special visitor—her great, great-grandniece and namesake, 4-year-old Rebecca Ellen Collins of Portland. With Rebecca was her mother, Mrs. James J. Collins Jr., 2216 N. E. 43d, Portland.

Family Moves West
Mrs. Patterson was born February 26, 1857, in Wisconsin and moved to Pennsylvania when she was about two. At 16, she married John Patterson, and a year later their only child was born. In the late 1800s they moved to Heppner. They were among the few survivors of the Heppner flood of June 14, 1903. They lost all their possessions in the disaster.

Mrs. Patterson is one of two surviving charter members of Ruth chapter of the Order of Eastern Star at Heppner. She also was active in the Christian church.

Mrs. Patterson's husband died in 1927 and her son died when he was about 70. Her closest surviving relative is a niece, Mrs. A. A. Amfort of McMinnville, for whom she was guardian.

Two Hobbies Dropped
The petite centenarian, who is less than five feet tall, has been at the Masonic home since 1941. For the past ten years she has been bedridden. She has given up the needlework and painting she liked so well, but still is able to read without glasses.

Highlights of her birthday was presentation of a cake, which she shared with other residents of the home. And her biggest gift, from her nieces, nephews and grand nieces and grand-nephew, will be fresh flowers each week for the rest of her life.

Two Lone Students On Honor Roll at Pacific University

Two lone students at Pacific University were placed on the honor roll last semester for attaining a scholastic average of 3.00 or above.

The two are Janet Howton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Howton, who is majoring in physical education; and Duane Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Baker. He is a junior in mathematics and has been one of the outstanding halfbacks on the Pacific Badger football team.

chapter to be used for first aid training, water safety, home nurse training, civilian and veteran's programs, the junior Red Cross and blood program. A sizeable part of the past year's money has gone for the blood program and the veteran's program that is carried on through the veteran's hospital at Walla Walla.

This year it is also planned to endeavor to train someone in small craft safety and to give Red Cross training to a lifeguard for the lone swimming pool.

Local Red Cross officials pointed out that the 38.37 percent of all moneys raised which goes to the National Red Cross is used largely for relief wherever it is needed. A local chapter blood drive is planned sometime in May, it was announced.

Morrow county Red Cross chapter officers are Mrs. Orville Cutsforth president, and Mrs. Verner Troedson, Ione, secretary-treasurer.

Ground Observer Need Explained

Ground observer corps are necessary and important in our national defense since radar still has its limitations in spotting planes and radar may be jammed by the enemy, Air Force Sgt. Robert Coleman, G. O. C. sector sergeant for Umatilla and Morrow counties, explained in a ground observer class in the grade school multi-purpose room Monday night. Fifteen attended.

With increased jet mileage speeds Russia is now only two hours from Seattle from its nearest base 1800 miles away in Siberia, Coleman pointed out. In addition, jet streams from Russian planes have been discovered around the West coast, gulf stream and across the Eastern states and back to Russia.

Wings for members of the Heppner corps which started operations in January were presented by Sgt. Coleman to Mrs. Ray Smith, supervisor; Mrs. L. L. Robbins, chief observer and to Mrs. Norman Peters, Mrs. Riley Munkers, Mrs. William Heath, Mrs. Merlin Wagoner and Mrs. N. C. Anderson for 25 hours of skywatching.

Refreshments were served after the meeting by Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Munkers and Mrs. Robbins.

Heppner Cafe Sold To Burns Couple

Moyer's Cafe, owned and operated for the past two years by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moyer, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Sang Chinn, formerly of Burns. The Chinn's will take over operation of the restaurant Friday.

The Chinn's came to Heppner from Burns where they have operated a cafe for the past two years. They will feature both American and Chinese foods and plan to offer seven-day service. It will be called Chinn's Cafe.

Personal Property Tax Deadline Near

County assessor Harry Dinges again reminded taxpayers that they have only until Saturday to file their personal property returns and save a penalty assessment of five percent. The March 2 deadline is set by law.

Dinges said his office in the court house will be open all day Saturday to accommodate last minute filings.



MISS MARILYN BRADSHAW, IFYE delegate to Scotland, will speak to several county groups next week.

IFYE Delegate to Scotland To Be in County Next Week

Miss Marilyn Bradshaw of Albany, International Farm Youth Exchange delegate to Scotland, who returned to this country last November will be in Morrow county for four days early in March to tell of her experiences. She will speak before numerous organizations and meetings while here.

Miss Bradshaw, who is a sister of Miss Beverly Bradshaw, Morrow county home demonstration agent, left last June for Scotland, immediately after her graduation from Oregon State college. During her stay she lived with several different families where she helped in the fields, worked in the kitchen and made trips through the Scottish countryside.

Miss Bradshaw was chairman of the Linn county IFYE committee during 1952 and 1953. She is a 10 year 4-H club member and represented Oregon at the National 4-H conference in 1952. At OSC she was active in music and journalism groups, was editor of the college yearbook and a reporter on the paper.

During her stay here she will speak to the following groups and if others wish to schedule her to talk from March 4 to 7, they are asked to contact the county agent's office.

March 4, noon, chamber of commerce; 2 p. m. Lexington school; 8 p. m. Heppner Mother's club.

March 5, 9 a. m. Ione school; 12:30, Irrigon school; 2:30 p. m. Boardman school.

March 6, 9:45 a. m. Heppner school; 6:30 p. m. Eastern Oregon leaders workshop banquet.

March 7, noon, Soroptimist club; 8 p. m. Echo P-TA.

Campfire Girls Plan Candy Sale

The Campfire and Bluebird groups of Heppner will hold their annual candy sale beginning March 9, it has been announced. All groups in Heppner will participate.

The town has been divided into sections so that householders will be solicited only once. Tables will also be set up downtown in front of the post office and Humphreys Drug Co.

The candy to be sold will be Russell Stover chocolates and no other candy will be carried by the girls. This popular candy is the same as is being sold by Campfire groups in Umatilla county. Money from the sale will be divided among participating groups and pays for the Campfire and Bluebird activity throughout the year. The candy sells for \$1.00 a box.

Girls will wear an identifying article of clothing so that the householders will know they are purchasing from a Campfire girl.

ATTAINS PERFECT GRADES AT U OF PORTLAND

Among only 20 students at the University of Portland to make a perfect grade point average of 4.00 during the fall semester, was Larry Lindsay. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lindsay of Lexington.

INITIATED INTO HONORARY

Miss Nancy Anderson, a freshman at Eastern Oregon College, was recently initiated into Alpha Pi Epsilon, an honorary society whose pledges are chosen on scholarship, character and personality. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Anderson.

A weekend guest at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Blakney was Mrs. Doris Lehman of Seattle.

Minimum Farm Wage Bill Opposed By Farm Bureau

The Morrow county Farm Bureau will actively oppose a current legislative measure which would set a minimum wage for agricultural workers, it was decided at the February meeting of the Bureau held Tuesday night at the Ione Grange hall.

A bill has been introduced at the legislature which would set a minimum of \$1.00 per hour for all farm workers.

The Bureau also went on record as opposing senate bill 131 pertaining to licensed engineers for steam boilers, and recommended that the farmer license plate law remain as liberal as possible. The group also favored a motion recommending fencing bill 411 which leaves the law substantially as it now reads.

Gene Cutsforth gave a report on a state tax meeting held in Salem Feb. 25 and told of the numerous tax bills which are now in the works. Bureau president, Harold Beach urged all members to keep advised of the measures being considered in the legislature and to drop his senator and representative a card or letter giving his opinion on such bills.

Mrs. Ada Sacrison, Pilot Rock state Farm Bureau women's chairman, reported on her trip to the national Farm Bureau convention at Miami and told of the women's project in the Bureau for this year is better public relations.

The meeting opened with a potluck dinner which was served under the direction of Mrs. Herman Blettell, Mrs. Art Crawford, Mrs. David Baker, Mrs. Cecil Thorne and Mrs. Don Heliker. The next meeting will be held March 26 at the Bill Barratt home when Don Heliker will show pictures of his recent trip to Hawaii.

Eastern Oregon 4-H Leaders Meet Here March 6-7

Morrow county 4-H club leaders will be hosts March 6 and 7 to the annual Eastern Oregon 4-H leaders workshop to be held for the first time in Heppner. Leaders from all Eastern Oregon counties will be in attendance.

The program will start on Wednesday with registration at 11 a. m. to be followed by discussion groups in the afternoon. The Sears-Roebuck Foundation will be host for a banquet at the fair pavilion that evening with a program and recreation planned.

Wednesday afternoon's program will be held at the Methodist church with the March 7 program slated at the fair pavilion. During the day and one-half workshop training in such things as planning the club program, ideas for club meetings, the junior leadership program, 4-H record keeping, demonstrations and judging will be discussed in subject matter groups.

About 75 leaders and 4-H agents are expected to attend. The workshop is being held during national 4-H club week, March 2 through 9.

ATTEND WHEAT CONFERENCE

Those from this section of the county who attended the Wheat Industry conference in Portland were Mr. and Mrs. John Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Munkers, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peck, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Anderson, Kenneth Smouse, Burton Peck, Oscar Peterson, J. O. Turner and Kenneth Turner.

EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner Tuesday, March 12 at the court house between 9:30 a. m. and 3:30 p. m. the department of motor vehicles announces.

PARENTS OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. John Clerk of Kittitas, Washington, are the parents of a daughter, Peggy Jeane, born January 29. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schaeffer of Cecil and Mr. and Mrs. John Clerk of Kittitas, are the grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney spent the first of the week in Salem.

Chinook Winds Clear Area Of Snow; No Flooding Here

Morrow county got its first taste of spring last weekend and though it came with a rush following a week of heavy snow, the sudden melting caused no washing or flooding. It was an entirely different story, however, in other parts of Eastern Oregon where the warm chinook winds and accompanying rains caused heavy property damage and livestock loss.

Last Friday snow was piled to a depth of about eight inches in Heppner and state snowplows were pressed into use to plow the heavy layer to the center of Main street so cars could use curb parking spaces. Late Saturday the warm chinook struck and by Sunday morning only traces of snow remained.

Fortunately in all areas except the higher elevations in the

county the ground was not frozen and the water from the rapid snow melt soaked into the ground. Willow creek raised only slightly Monday and Tuesday and Rhea and Butter creeks, though higher than Willow, were far from being at flood stage. Only a light rain accompanied the chinook.

While the snow water in this area was soaking into the ground, other sections of Eastern Oregon, particularly Baker, Vale and Ontario felt the brunt of genuine floods as the chinook in those areas brought heavy rains.

Heppner weather recorder Leonard Gilliam reported that last snowfall late last week brought 45 inch of moisture. Gentle rains since that time have added another .15 inch to bring February's total as of Wednesday to 1.13 inches. The 10 year average for February is 1.03 inches and the February 1956 rainfall was only .57 inch. During the first two months of this year Heppner has received 2.16 inches of moisture.

Last week, before the warmup came, temperatures dropped to 2 degrees above zero, but it is not thought there was any crop damage as the low readings were preceded by a fairly heavy snowfall which gave ample protection.

Maximum and minimum temperatures at the Heppner weather station during the past week were:

	Max	Min.
Friday	25	18
Saturday	30	20
Sunday	61	21
Monday	63	45
Tuesday	57	47
Wednesday	64	37



SNOWEANK—Last Friday the City of Heppner resorted to the use of a state highway department snowplow to move the city's heavy layer of snow out of the gutters and into the center of Main street. The heavy piles of snow along the curbs had mired down most cars who tried to park in usual spots. Warm chinook winds the following day soon removed the last traces of the street-center snowpile. The temperature was still about 20 degrees when picture was taken. (GT Photo)

CHAMBER OPPOSES SATURDAY BANK CLOSING, STATE PROPERTY TAX

The Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce Monday voted to take a definite stand on two measures currently being considered by the legislature and ordered its secretary to advise local senators and representatives of its position.

The membership voted unanimously to oppose a bill which has been introduced that would prohibit Saturday banking in the state. Discussion centered around the need for such service here and the adverse effect businesses in town would feel should banks not be allowed to do business on Saturday.

The chamber also voted to advise legislators that it favored the bill (which passed the senate Tuesday) which would remove the state from the property tax field, and urged them to vote for passage of the measure. Discussion on the need for property tax relief was predominant and fear was expressed that unless such a measure was passed, there was a chance that the state would revert to a property tax assessment to raise needed money.

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William M. Kirk, Former Heppnerite, Dies at Bellingham

William M. Kirk, 60, passed away February 22 at his home in Bellingham, Washington where he had lived for the past 28 years. Services were held Feb. 25 at Bellingham by the Rev. James B. Hughes and officers of the American Legion. Burial was in Greenacres Memorial park there.

Mr. Kirk was born in Heppner and lived here until moving to the Washington city. He was a veteran of World War I, a member of the Albert J. Hamilton post No. 7 of the American Legion; had been a heavy equipment operator for Whatcom county.

Surviving relatives are his widow Bertha (Cason); two daughters, Mrs. Viola M. Huber, Bellingham and Mrs. June M. Hartzell, Tacoma; one grandson, Kenneth Calvin, Bellingham; one sister, Mrs. Millie O'Rourke, La Grande and two half-sisters, Mrs. Anna Steward, Wolf Creek, Oregon, and Mrs. Pearl Emerson, Newburg, Oregon.

Those from Heppner attending the services were Mr. and Mrs. Faye Prock, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Prock and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Elder.

MRS. SMOUSE RETURNS

Mrs. Anne C. Smouse returned last week from Rochester, Minnesota where she visited her daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Richard Baker. She was there to welcome her new granddaughter, Deborah Kristine, born on January 4.

Among those from Pendleton here to attend the Elks Annual on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Green.

Mrs. Avis Walker of Seattle spent last weekend in Heppner visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jean Mallory.



KEITH IMUS, new manager of the Heppner J. C. Penney store. He took over last week from Dick Brunner, who was transferred to Baker. Imus came here from Seattle. (GT Photo)

Two HHS Students Given Elks Awards

Meredith Thomson and Jay Sumner were recently announced as first and second respectively in the Morrow County Elks Leadership Award. Miss Thomson received a \$50 savings bond and Jay Sumner a \$25 bond. The awards were made at the Elks annual, but both winners were in Seattle attending the Pacific Slope press conference as delegates from the school paper and the annual.

Credentials for both students are being judged at Ontario in the district contest. The results of district judging will be announced in the near future and state judging will be completed about March 15.

The Elks Leadership Awards are made to outstanding student leaders. Both Meredith and Jay have been extremely active in Heppner high school and also in community projects. At the present time Meredith is the editor of Hehisch. This paper has earned both regional and national recognition for its excellence. Jay is editor of the yearbook, "Mustang" which also ranks high in national judging.

Meredith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Thomson. Jay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sumner.

Heppner Students Attend High School Press Conference

Student delegates to the Pacific Slope Press Conference returned Sunday evening, February 24, from four interest-filled days of travel and conference study.

Representing the Heppner high school were Meredith Thomson, Jay Sumner, Mary Jo Stewart, Phyllis Quackenbush, Helen Graham, Judie Spaulding, Janice Beamer and Jim Morris. These students, Hehisch adviser, Margaret Kirk, Mrs. James Thomson and Roy Quackenbush left Feb. 21, traveling by way of Portland, Olympia and Tacoma.

A special tour of the Seattle-Tacoma airport had been arranged, so that the students were able to follow the complete operations of this big project. They were allowed to go through a DC-6 and heard experts explain the instrument panel, plane repair, flight problems and were privileged to ask questions regarding any phase of flight operations. A special tour of the weather station was made. At this point the students observed the taking of weather data, plotting of the information, and the broadcasting of the assembled data.

The conference, held on the University of Washington campus, was attended by 1200 delegates from the eight western states. There were sufficient special meetings to make it possible for each delegate to attend a completely different set of seven sectional discussions. Meredith Thomson and Jim Morris each acted as chairman of a sectional meeting. Hehisch adviser, Margaret Kirk, addressed one of the sectional groups on the subject of "New Features for Old". Subjects of meetings attended by Heppner students included page make-up, organization of the staff, sports reporting, feature writing, better pictures, copy-editing, and news reporting. The luncheons and banquet featured such well known figures as William Randolph Hearst of Hearst Newspapers, Frank Coniff, editorial writer for Hearst Publications; and Kenneth Dodson, author of Away All Boats and Stranger to the Shore.

While in Seattle the students saw "This is Cinerama" and "Oklahoma". Saturday afternoon, following the last conference meeting, they toured the Northgate shopping center.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Nutting of Mitchell were weekend guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. James Norene.



BAKER BOY SCOUTS drum and bugle corp entertained during the Heppner Elks 60th Anniversary celebration last Saturday. The group is sponsored by the Baker Elks lodge, whose officers put on the initiation work during the Annual. Here the corps is shown marching on Heppner's snow-covered downtown streets. (GT Photo)